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Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Applications of Comcast Corporation, General Electric Company, and NBC Universal, Inc.*, MB Docket No. 10-56

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to inform you that, on December 15, 2010, Stacy Fuller on behalf of DIRECTV had separate telephone calls with Rick Kaplan, Chief Counsel and Senior Legal Advisor to Chairman Genachowski; Krista Witanowski, Acting Legal Advisor-Media Issues for Commissioner Baker; and Bill Lake, Chief of the Media Bureau, to discuss the above referenced proceeding. In particular, Ms. Fuller stressed the need for conditions of sufficient duration to address the potential anticompetitive effects of the proposed transaction. At a minimum, conditions imposed on Comcast in this proceeding should remain in place no less than the six-year period that similar pro-competitive safeguards were imposed in the *News/Hughes* proceeding (under Chairman Powell) and the *Adelphia/Comcast/TWC* and *News/Liberty* proceedings (under Chairman Martin). Indeed, given the unprecedented scope and scale of media assets that Comcast proposes to acquire, conditions should remain in force until Comcast/NBCU can show that market developments make them no longer necessary to protect competition.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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